

# **Suffolk County HOME Consortium 2012 Down Payment Assistance Program Quick Reference Guide**

**ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE:** A contribution of \$10,000 in grant funds is available for those who qualify. The program does not fund closing costs.

### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:** An Applicant Must:

- 1. Be a First-Time Homebuyer (cannot have owned a home during the 3 year period immediately prior to the purchase of a residence with HOME funding).
- 2. Have a Total Household Income within the HUD Guidelines (see below).

# **2012 INCOME GUIDELINES:**

<b>Household</b>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Household</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
<u>Size</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Income</u>
1	\$60,200	5	\$92,900
2	\$68,800	6	\$99,750
3	\$77,400	7	\$106,650
4	\$86,000	8 or more	\$113,500

- 3. Occupy the property as a principal residence.
- 4. Applicant <u>cannot</u> be in contract prior to being awarded a purchaser certificate from Suffolk County Community Development.
- 5. Attend one-on-one mortgage counseling at a HUD certified -not-for-profit housing agency.
- 6. Have at least a \$3,000 in the bank at the time of application.
- 7. Have a documented minimum annual household income of at least \$30,000 and be able to obtain a mortgage.
- 8. Not have entered into a Contract of Sale prior to being awarded a Purchaser Certificate

#### **ELIGIBLE HOME PURCHASE AREA:**

Applicants must purchase a lead-based paint free home within the Suffolk County HOME Consortium area, which includes:

**Town of Brookhaven** - and the Villages of Bellport, Lake Grove, Patchoque, Port Jefferson and Shoreham.

**Town of East Hampton** - and the Village of Sag Harbor.

**Town of Huntington** - the entire town.

**Town of Riverhead** - the entire town.

**Town of Smithtown** - and the Village of the Branch.

**Town of Southampton** - and the Villages of Sag Harbor, Southampton, Westhampton Beach and Westhampton Dunes.

**Town of Southold** - the entire town.

**Town of Shelter Island** - the entire town.

Please note that the Town of Islip and the Town of Babylon are NOT part Of the Suffolk County Consortium.

Purchase properties cannot be located within these towns.

**PROPERTY VALUE LIMIT:** The maximum appraised value of a house cannot exceed \$362,790.

**ELIGIBLE HOUSING:** Single family homes, condominiums, cooperative apartments (co-ops), newly constructed or already built. Prior to sale, any housing must be: (1) owner-occupied, (2) occupied by the purchaser as a tenant or (3) vacant. Houses cannot contain rental units or second kitchens.

# Funding is limited; the applications can also be downloaded from the Suffolk County web site at:

www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/EconomicDevelopmentandPlanning/ CommunityDevelopment/HOMEInvestmentPartnershipsProgram.aspx

## **Restrictions:**

No Short Sales, Foreclosures, 203K Mortgages, No Private Mortgages Allowed No 100% Financing, 80/20 Loans or Adjustable Rate Mortgages Allowed Non-Occupant Co-Signers or Co-Borrowers, Guarantors Not Allowed, Real Estate **Owned Properties Not Allowed** 

**Suffolk County Community Development Office** PO Box 6100, H. Lee Dennison Bldg., Veterans Highway Hauppauge, NY 11788 (631) 853-5705

Please note: Applications are available to all without regard for where you currently live or work.

Call the Community Development office at (631) 853-5705 to have an application mailed to you. Applications accepted by mail only, on a first-come, first-served basis.



